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COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION

AT RICHMOND, JANUARY 10, 2001

APPLICATION OF

METTEL OF VA, INC.

CASE NO. PUC000200

For a certificate of public
convenience and necessity
to provide local exchange
telecommunications services

ORDER GRANTING MOTION TO
PRESCRIBE NEW NOTICE TO CARRIERS

On October 6, 2000, MetTel of VA, Inc. ("MetTel" or "Applicant"), completed an application with the State Corporation Commission ("Commission") for a certificate of public convenience and necessity ("certificate") requesting authority to provide local exchange telecommunications services throughout the Commonwealth of Virginia.

By Order dated November 21, 2000, the Commission directed the Applicant to provide notice of its application to the public and each local exchange and interexchange carrier certificated in Virginia and scheduled a public hearing to receive evidence relevant to MetTel's application. The November 21, 2000, Order for Notice and Hearing directed MetTel to give notice to the public and other certificated carriers and file with the Commission proof of publication and notice by January 9, 2001.

On January 8, 2001, MetTel, by counsel, filed a motion requesting that the Commission establish a new schedule for MetTel to serve notice on carriers and for MetTel to file proof of having served such notice. In its motion, the Applicant states that its records do not show that delivery of notice to carriers was accomplished, and it is possible that carriers were not notified of MetTel's pending application.

NOW UPON CONSIDERATION of this motion, the Commission is of the opinion that MetTel should give notice of its application to each local exchange and interexchange carrier certificated in Virginia and that the dates for the filing of Comments, Notices of Protest, Protests, and Testimony should be revised.

Accordingly, IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

(1) On or before January 11, 2001, Applicant shall give notice of its application to each local exchange and interexchange telephone carrier certificated in Virginia by personal delivery or by first-class mail, postage prepaid, to the customary place of business or residence of the person served. A current list of those carriers and their addresses is attached to our November 21, 2000, Order for Notice and Hearing as Appendices A and B.

(2) On or before January 18, 2001, Applicant shall provide to the Commission proof of the notice and service required by ordering paragraph (1) herein.

(3) The date for the filing of Comments, Notices of Protest, Protests, and Testimony is extended from January 9, 2001, to January 26, 2001.

(4) All other provisions of our November 21, 2000, Order for Notice and Hearing shall remain in effect.